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Mr. Steve Heminger
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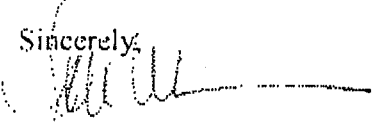
Dear Mr. Heminger:

I am writing to support Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Delta Protection Commission (DPC), in your joint application for a FY 2008-2009 Partnership Planning Grant from the California Department of Transportation. I understand that this grant would be used for The Great California Delta Trail Collaborative Planning Process, a process that I have avidly supported.

In 2006, the Legislature passed and the Governor signed SB 1556 (Torlakson), a bill which I co-authored and actively helped through the legislative process. With the bill's passage, the Legislature and Governor deemed The Great California Delta Trail of statewide recreational and transportation significance. SB 1556 mandated the DPC to complete a feasibility study and develop a plan to establish a trail network through the 5 delta counties. What impresses me most about the legislation and the Partnership Planning Grant application is the commitment to a very broad, collaborative planning process which will ensure that hundreds of organizations and the public will be involved, providing the best possible outcome for development of the trail in a cost-effective and timely manner.

Again, I wholeheartedly support your application for the Partnership Planning grant from the California Department of Transportation.

Sincerely,


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